

Cape Independence Party vs Cape Town Democratic Alliance



Dear {{ contact.FIRSTNAME | default : "Supporter" }},

On Friday the 3rd of May, the Cape Independence Party - CAPEXIT submitted an official Letter of Objection to the Democratic Alliance, the City of Cape Town and the CoCT Finance Department with regards to the unaffordable, unfair and discriminatory Draft Budget 2025/26. Read the full Letter of Objection and have your say about the matter as well, by clicking on the link below:

Dear Democratic Alliance, City of Cape Town, and CoCT Finance Department,

We request that the Draft Budget 2025/26 deadline for public participation and commentary be extended, and that the budget proposal be withdrawn and reconsidered.

We have tremendous concerns that the financial burden that the new budget proposal is going to place on working, middle class households is going to break the back of the already overburdened Cape Town rates and tax payer.

Many of these households who will bear the greatest burden of increased rates, tariffs and taxes are the entrepreneurs, business owners, managers, employers and employees who form the central driving force behind the economy and who are the primary employment providers. These are also the households that in turn provide

secondary and informal employment opportunities to poor and lower income households.

Furthermore, those households that do not qualify for indigent status, but barely make ends meet, including households of the unemployed, retired or elderly will be absolutely decimated by this.

Not to mention how property owners across the board will have to transfer the cost of these increases onto those who rent their properties resulting in an unavoidable knock-on effect. Everyone is going to be negatively impacted by these insanely high increases in rates, taxes and tariffs.

And much of this is being done to support the unsustainable influx of economic migrants into the Western Cape and Cape Town, from other ANC-controlled provinces, particularly the Eastern Cape.

In our engagements with various communities across Cape Town we have received overwhelming and near unanimous outrage over this new Draft Budget.

This new budget has been designed to confiscate wealth from the most productive and established parts of Cape Town society to redistribute this wealth to new-comers arriving here who intend to take advantage of the free-handouts and welfare services being provided by the DA-run City of Cape Town.

This DA policy which has been in effect for over a decade has seen informal settlements, or squatters in Cape Town, increase over the last 10 years, from 285,000 in 2014, to over 1,5 million today.

If this is an intentional motivation on behalf of the DA to try to garner the support of traditional ANC-voting territories, we advise that it is short-sighted, and will invariably result not in the National success of the DA, but in the eventual collapse of the Western Cape, and the eventual collapse and ultimate irrelevance of the DA in the future.

It is well-known and commonly accepted amongst all of the wards and sub-councils across Cape Town that we are unable to provide the basic services expected of the City.

Water and Sanitation is a constant complaint as there are simply too many people, especially as a result of squatters and informal settlements, who not only overburden the current infrastructure but also are the settlement areas which consistently show the least regard for the illegal dumping of refuse, mattresses, carcasses etc into the sewerage, sanitation and waterways resulting in costly maintenance and infrastructure damage.

Electricity is also haemorrhaged across the system as masses of consumption is lost through the illegal wire connections in informal settlements that go on essentially unchallenged and unpoliced by the City.

Furthermore, the above stems from the issue of Housing. Which at its core is the primary source of these problems. Until informal settlements are openly discouraged and prevented, as opposed to being subsidised and promoted through the socialist welfare mechanisms such as is being imposed by this new Draft Budget, these problems are only going to get worse and worse.

Until housing and related services have been fully implemented in the long-standing local communities across the Cape Flats areas, budget increases and allocations should not be introduced which only accelerate and promote the influx of economic migrants from outside of Cape Town.

Charity starts at home, and until we can take care of all of the local residents first, from the poorest locals up, we should not be taxing into extinction the most

economically productive sectors of Cape Town to subsidise the arrival of even more welfare migrants.

The City of Cape Town Draft Budget 2025/26 website only allows for up to 4,000 characters in each of its three submission categories. Making comprehensive submissions in this regard incredibly difficult, if not impossible.

We hereby request that the DA and the City of Cape Town reconsider the changes to the budget, consider the extent to which it will negatively impact the working and middle classes of Cape Town, as well as the knock-on effect of the socialist welfare policies being implemented, and the logic or motivations behind them.

We believe that the 2025/26 Draft Budget should:

- 1) Be in line with South Africa's inflation rate of 3.2% (Stats SA).
- 2) Its cost should be fairly distributed amongst all of the residents of Cape Town.
- 3) And its expenditure should be focused on providing services to local Cape Town residents first, with particular attention to the Cape Flats, and not on the provision of services that act as an incentive to attract migrants from other parts of South Africa and Africa looking for subsidised or free welfare handouts.

Sincerely,

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